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PRINCE'S HILL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1891.

## Intimations.

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THE Special Features of this Pure Champagne are—1st.—Its entire freedom from the usual sugar-candy, etc., consequently it is fresher, cleaner, and more wholesome than the Liqueured champagnes.

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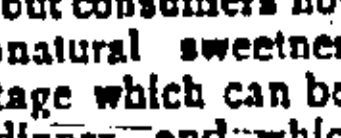
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A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule, 4 4.50

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C St. Julien, Red Capsule, 7.50 7.50

D La Rose, Red Capsule, 11 12.00

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B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule, 14 1.25

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A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule, 8 0.75

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DEATH. On 6th February, suddenly, of apoplexy, on board the P. & O. steamship, *Ganges*, JAMES K. SMILLIE. Buried at sea.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1891.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held at the City Hall at noon to-morrow. No doubt the attendance will be worthy of the occasion; if it isn't it ought to be. With a net profit of \$1,715,743.39, minus \$148,302.94 brought forward from last account, as the result of the six months' working, there can be very little room for grumbling—excepting from those who have been unfortunate in their speculations in Bank shares; and as they are not in the favored division of toadies and tuft-hunters they don't count, and they can howl until they are black in the face without eliciting a single expression of sympathy. Nothing succeeds like success in this life—especially in Hongkong; but when the success of the men who are reputed to have mainly benefited from this extraordinary profit of nearly sixteen hundred thousand dollars comes to be closely analysed it is found to amount to very little. Dust and ashes.

The Report, as a report, tells the shareholders very little; it couldn't tell them very much less. That is the acme of business diplomacy, according to the lights of the worthy gentlemen, or most of them, who form the Court of Directors of this most phenomenal, in more ways than one, of Far Eastern banking institutions. Possibly the Court of Directors knows just as much as and no more than the shareholders of the Bank's true state of affairs, and if the honorable members did know anything they are far too innocent, with several noteworthy exceptions, of giving it away promiscuously. By the way, "Court of Directors" can hardly be said to be a modest title for the nominal directors of even a comparatively important colonial bank to assume; it reminds one so forcibly of that Imperial autocracy the old East India Company; but then, Hongkong is noted for its own kind of peculiar modesty, and the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank is the Mecca of the classes. It would, however, have been just as well if this Report had said something about the Bank's affairs and general prospects; and given some information regarding several shady transactions of the past half-year. The Manila bolocaut might have been expected to merit another apologetic utterance, but this time it is rigidly ignored, although a final settlement appears just as far off as ever. In spite of the many official statements to the contrary.

We have received a cloud of letters from shareholders in the Bank—most of whom, we are afraid, were induced to part with the major portion of their shares before "Lucky" Jackson's silver venture turned out trumps—asking us to criticise the report, the loose management of the Bank, the exceptional favors shown to Directors and their creatures, the uses said to be made of the Bank's capital and influence by private speculators for their own personal advantage for the powers that be, the skeleton accounts presented; and various other grievances, real or imaginary. One correspondent from the Coast Ports, who says he has been for years a large shareholder, hopes and feels confident that "our trenchant pen and fearless voice will once more show to the world what is being done by a crew of monopolists who 'etio, etc., etc. This gentleman and our other doleful well-meaning correspondents are altogether in error; "our trenchant pen and fearless voice" must not be relied on in future to carry out the free-lance policy that has received such begrudging appreciation in the past. Where purely public interests are involved we shall be to the front as of yore; but shareholders of public companies, so far as we are concerned, will have to fight their own battles the best way they can. When our personal interests are concerned, the "fearless voice" will have its say as firmly and decidedly as ever it had, but we have no intention of any more fighting the battles of the half of Hongkong against our own interests, for the doubtful honour of being left alone in opposition against a whole Court of Directors, with a hundred mummies sitting around in silence, agreeing with us entirely but afraid to open their lips, and watching with dog-like fidelity for a smile or sign of recognition from the charmed circle. We trust our meaning has been made quite plain and without giving offence.

But notwithstanding all this, there are questions of public interest which might fittingly be asked at the Bank meeting. The most important information to be elicited is the source from which the large profit mentioned above was derived. Was it by legitimate banking business, or, to

use the expression of an American newspaper, was it made "out of a deal in silver, just as though the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank had been a syndicate of American bonanza mine-owners and senators and representatives in Congress?" This question would probably have been considered more important had the "deal" gone the wrong way, and that it might very easily have miscarried, the recent vagaries of the silver market plainly enough indicate. Perhaps the vast majority of the Bank's shareholders will say that they don't care a straw by what means the money is made, so long as it appears as profit in the accounts! They may be right—who shall say? And should a "Black Friday" come—always a possibility in Banking speculations as Baring Bros' slip the other day clearly enough proved—they will then cheerfully face the ordeal of blank ruin. But yet, it must be confessed that a safe and solid banking business, energetically worked, is more reliable than risky silver deals, even with Mr. Thomas Jackson at the helm.

We will say nothing of the skeleton accounts published; if they suit the shareholders and come within the requirements of the law, nobody else has any particular reason to complain. But we don't like the barefaced monopoly which continues in the Directorate; it is highly detrimental to the interests of the Bank. The Court of Directors is a strong one no doubt, but it might be materially strengthened by the introduction of new blood. No valid objections could be raised to the re-election of Mr. W. H. FORBES, head of the eminent firm of RUSSELL & CO., nor of Mr. J. S. MOSKES, of E. D. SASSOON & CO.; but we fail to see that Mr. H. L. DALRYMPLE, who represents nothing of the slightest importance to anybody but himself that we can find out, has the slightest claim to a seat at the Board. That he is a protégé of JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.'s should mean nothing—although that all-powerful house did actually try to get him into the Legislative Council;—at all events, it should mean less than the very necessary explanations that are required from Mr. DALRYMPLE, and which we should demand were we able to be present, of his connection as promoter and director of certain companies in British North Borneo, whose histories are certainly not beyond suspicion. It would be interesting to the public to know how much promotion money, if any, this Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank pocketed out of the North Borneo ventures in which he was an active or passive partner; how much he had to disgorge when these vaunted El Dorados proved will-o'-the-wisps, and what interest he still retains. In our opinion the shareholders of the Bank would do well to let Mr. DALRYMPLE "slide" from the Court of Directors and put in his place either Mr. DAVID GILLIES, of the Dock Company, or Mr. JNO. D. HUMPHREYS, of A. S. WATSON & CO., men of position and character whose influence and great wealth could not fail to prove of material assistance in increasing the Bank's business.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE physicians of Berlin assert that their practice has fallen off 25 per cent since Koch's operations began, and consequently, they demand from the Government free lymph.

THE Hungarian Government favors a scheme for an electric railway between Vienna and Budapest, a distance of 170 miles, to run single cars every ten minutes, like a street service, in two hours and a half.

"CLARA," said Nellie, dropping the fashion paper she was reading, "what would you do if you had a moustache on your lip?" "After he took it away I should tell him that I preferred to be married in June."

JUDOS (to witness)—Who are you? Witness (who is a physician)—I am an insane expert, your Honor. Judge (with dignity)—Oh, you are! Well, get out of this. We don't want any crazy people giving testimony in this court.

We hear that the twenty *Namoa* pirates caught by the Macao Water Police during the past three weeks, are to be handed over to the Chinese Authorities at Canton early next week, the latter having applied for their rendition.

ANOTHER Social purification scheme is being hatched in England under the fostering care of a London clergyman, who has the support of a wealthy member of parliament. The idea is to run an open house to that of the Salvation Army "cranks" and the services of Mr. Ex-consulmissioner Smith, who lately scored from that body, are being anxiously sought after.

ANOTHER new training ship for prospective sailors of the Siamese Navy is, says the *Bangkok Times*, now being got ready at the Royal Dock Yard, and in a few weeks more will be put on the active list. We refer to the *Thoon Kramon*, a very serviceable sailing vessel which has long lain at anchor totally neglected, but is now being renovated, and at very small expense will be made as good as a new ship.

This vessel will be of very great use in paying periodical visits to the coast ports, and on such voyages the young sailors can be instructed in the principles of their profession and trained in the practice of it. It is only recently that training ships in the Siamese Navy have secured the attention they deserve, but the recognition of their value is, we are glad to see, becoming sufficiently extensive to secure their institution, and in this respect Siam is following in the wake of other Eastern nations.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Taheran* left Singapore yesterday morning for Hongkong.

THE Police in the city of London, would appear to be a very degenerate body of men. A week of prayer was recently set apart to be devoted solely for their spiritual welfare!

THE members of the Hongkong Athletic Club will have their first "outing" to-morrow on the race-course. The sports are to commence at one o'clock and given fine weather an excellent day's amusement can confidently be expected. The prizes will be presented to the winners at the close of the sports by Lady dea Volux.

AN "ad." from an Australian paper:—

A Widower (no children), aged 35, having a complete outfit of his late wife's effects (wines, liquors, etc.) to dispose of, desires to negotiate with a Young Lady, without result to himself. Must be tall, dark, and athletic, experience indispensable. Photos exchanged if wished. "Fides," Waukarn.

We reproduce this gem to give any tall, dark and sedate girl in Hongkong, who possesses the necessary experience desired by "Fides," a chance of applying for the billet.

THERE should be lots of fun at Bowington to-night, when Professor Uakichi will don the war-paint of his forefathers, and throw down the gauntlet to all the gladiators of the universe who may be present in the circus. Uakichi is a formidable looking youth but nevertheless we hope to see his challenge accepted. He prefers the catch-as-catch-can method of wrestling, but doubtless would be ready to accommodate any aspirant to hippodromic fame who cares to try his luck.

A RUMOUR has been buzzing around for some days past that a gallant warrior, not altogether unknown behind the footlights at the Garrison Theatre, who departed for home by the troopship *Himalaya* last Sunday, forgot, accidentally no doubt, to square up the accounts of some race-lotteries, of which he was in charge, before his departure. The amount said to be wanting has been variously stated at from \$800 to \$1,600. It is also stated that the forgetful gentleman's memory will be painfully jogged on the tropic arrival at Singapore, and that he will probably be officialy requested to return to Hongkong by the troopship due here next month. These rumours, are, of course, given for whatever they may be worth.

THE *Avonir Millaire* contains some unkind remarks on the Italian Army, said to emanate from a correspondent in Rome. The Italian Government, be says, will ere long present to Parliament new Bills for considerably augmenting the financial and military expenses of the country. The obligation to military service will be raised from nineteen years to twenty-five, as it is in France and Germany. Let us not be alarmed by this increase. If Italy chooses to do so, let her augment her war effort; she will still lack *cadres*. Her territorial soldiery is nothing but a mass of people badly armed, badly taught, and very little disciplined. This soldiery will certainly not frighten us, even though it should have five or six classes more.

THE lines of Lord Hopetoun do not seem to have been cast in pleasant places, since his arrival in Victoria, for we are continually hearing of some mishap or another occurring, where ever the duties of the noble lord lead him in his self sacrificing mission as Governor of that colony. Nor do those of his suite appear to be much smoother, for at a recent dinner he showed one of the *ladies* who had resolved to be affable to the degraded inhabitants, approached a wild-looking bush gentleman and said: "Haw, my dear friend, can you oblige me with a match?" "You can have fifty flaming matches, you goy beggar, and welcome," responded the son of the soil cheerfully, and then while the high-born person was staggering under this remark he asked him to have a drink in such a blast of friendly profanity that the officer dropped his cigar and fled to escape the flames.

MADAME Patey, we read, says that Madame Melba is not what may be accurately called a great singer, but she has of course, a very fine voice, a perfect method, and above all, she has fallen into splendid hands. The De Reszke brothers have taken a great interest in her development of her exceptional gifts, and Royalty has "taken her up" and she is quite the heroine of the hour. She has been to Windsor once or twice and to Marlboro' House as well, and is now turning things upside down in St. Petersburg, where not only common mortals have become enamored of her, but even the great White Bear has been seen to toss his *chapeau* high in mid-air and to command silence while he yelled *bravo* to the top of his bent. Madame Melba, otherwise Mrs. Armstrong, was but recently a well known figure in Melbourne, where her people are engaged in ordinary trade.

FOR some time past the Siamese Government has been seriously thinking of establishing a Legation in Washington to be quite separate from the Legation at London, and the scheme has now become a *fait accompli* by the appointment of H. H. Place, Chantat, who is empowered to proceed to Washington, and there take charge of the first Siamese Legation ever established in America. The idea is a good one and will prove of value to Siam, for she has always been on the best of terms with the Americans, and the appointment of Place Chantat is in itself a guarantee of success. The *Bangkok Times* says that he is one of those enlightened Siamese who is quite capable of representing his country's commercial and political interests in any foreign land, and in this age, when everything is reduced to the level of economic statistics, the country which shall fall to be so represented will inevitably fall behind in the competitive race.

MANY of our readers will doubtless be surprised to learn that the Bluebeard of the nursery story was a real character named Gilles de Laval, Marshal de Retz, a soldier of France at the close of the fourteenth century, and about the beginning of the fifteenth century. He was a man of great wealth, but squandered his estates in dissipation and then, to recoup his fortunes, he turned to all kinds of villainy. He was finally executed in 1493, and his head was placed on a pole for the philosopher's stone, and the diabolical rites employed by the searchers demanded the blood and hearts of young children. Boys and girls of the neighborhood were, on one pretext or another, enticed into his power, and then put to death under circumstances of great cruelty. Finally, the disappearance of children became so numerous that the authorities of the province and of the kingdom were obliged to investigate. Gilles was finally traced, and his confession, most of the bodies had been burned, the remains of forty-six children were found at one of his castles and those of eight at another. He was convicted and executed in 1493. The story of Bluebeard was written by Perrault in the reign of Louis XIV. and the name of Laval which gave the name to the nursery tale, was the name of a French nobleman who was a great favorite of the king.

THE Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Co. informs us that the Company's steamer *Atsugi* left Nagasaki for this port at 5 p.m. yesterday.

AN inquiry was held by Mr. Wodehouse to-day respecting the death of Tai Mun, a married man, living in Pound Street, who died on the 18th inst. from injuries received through the upsetting of a kerosene lamp on the night of the 9th inst. His Worship returned a verdict of accidental death.

WE are still gathering information about the peccs of a horse as they are really visible to the eye, and still the information gathered is diverging to our conventional notions. The latest specification is furnished, says an exchange, by M. Otterheim, Vice-President of the Veracities Photographic Society. He has taken such a series of "shots" at a trotting horse, as prove the incredible assertion that all its feet are in the air at a certain stage of the movement. One would have thought this a physical impossibility in trotting, when the body is not stretched out, and the action of the forelegs, as of the hind, is not uniform. Have any of these painstaking gentlemen tried their experiments on a man trotting? It seems likely that both his feet are off the ground at once when he goes his hardest for a "spurt," but one can hardly believe that he has no *glad d terra* whatever when travelling at the pace equivalent to a horse's trot. However, we are bound to credit anything in the way of new doctrine on this question after such strange things have been proved. It is really comforting to find that the traditional representation of a trotting horse is not altogether wrong on all points, as in the case of galloping, cantering, and the like.

The right fore-leg and the left hind-leg, de actually point forward, while the right hind-leg and the left fore-leg point backwards. So far as description may be trusted, our artists are only inexact in one detail, besides that fundamental error of representing two feet on the ground. All the legs are "spread"—that is, we presume, whirling about, instead of keeping the balance by moving underneath the body.

THERE is no end to the drive of the cablegram fiend, and his parochial intelligence rises superior to all considerations of time or space or ordinary human probability. For instance, says the *Sydney Bulletin*, the following mighty hunk of lore comes out as a recent sample:—

H. R. H. the Duke of Clarence, who was yesterday installed as Provincial Grand Master of the Freemasons for Berkshire, warmly welcomed Lord Carrington back from New South Wales, and Carrington, in reply, predicted that Australia would for ever remain loyal to England.

For ever and ever! Lord Carrington has said with a weary yawn upon his lips, and as the poor little Duke, whose face is as expressionless as an African's, has accepted the statement with a profound "haw," and the cable has endorsed it, and the *S. M. Herald* has published it, and therefore Time petrifies and Progress falls into a cataplectic state, and Change becomes unchangeable for ever and ever. Everything else in earth and sea and sky is unstable and transitory. The hills are being fast filtered away and washed into the sea, and the mountains are being dissolved and sinking into the Atlantic, till in course of time there will be nothing but water from Labrador to the Skager Rack, and even the Pole Star is drifting away into the far recesses of the heavens; but when everything else is lost and gone the "kawities" will still remain loyal to England, for Carrington dropped in, as he was going past and mentioned the fact. Somewhere about a century and a half ago most of North America was also in a state of eternal loyalty to the British Crown, and most of South America was as devotedly attached to Spain; and 200 years ago England was the perpetual pensioner and dependent of France; and 600 years further back she was the humble ally of Normandy and was to remain so for ever and ever; and in a still more remote year she was loyal to Rome with a loyalty that was to endure through all time and eternity, but all these things died away, and every "loyal" sentiment that ever bound one country to another since the first beginning, has proved more transient than a snowball in Cokewick, or a hypothesis written upon the sea in letters of foam. But though nothing else is permanent, the loyalty of the colonies is to keep on through all ages, for, as already mentioned, Carrington has said it, and the flea has shaken its foot at the stars and told them to keep where they are till further orders, and the fly has grabbed the tail of the universe and is holding it steady. It is a joyous thing to possess so much information, and when we consider what a heap, Carrington knows, we feel and see the ignorance of the prophets, and the desperate stupidity of the apostles for they could only see a few years ahead, while Baron Smith glances down an unending futurity, and is either three parts omniscient or else an ass.

THE SONGEI KOYAH PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.

The second ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the above named Company was held at the office of the General Managers, No. 6, Ice House Lane, at noon to-day, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Consulting Committee; with a statement of accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1890. There were present:—Messrs. C. S. Sharp (Chairman); W. B. Layton, W. Whitton, H. L. Dalrymple (Directors); S. I. Dainty, L. S. Perry, N. J. Gomers, S. A. Joseph, A. Lau, and J. Hallward (Secretaries).

The Chairman said he had to apologise for the late hour at which the report had been placed in the hands of the shareholders. It had been drawn up, however, as soon as possible. It was necessary to get certain information, both from London and Sandakan before closing the report, and that accounted for the delay. He regretted the report and accounts were not very brilliant, but still they were better than he anticipated at the time. Certain additional items of information, which were required by the Board before drawing up the balance sheet, were to hand, and would be found in the report furnished to the shareholders. He had nothing further to say except to express his great regret at the unfavourable appearance of the accounts. The 1890 crop, he begged to add, had been sold in Amsterdam, at 70



wecannot state the net profits. I estimate the gross value at 9,000 guineas. If there are no further questions I propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. S. I. Dancy seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

**EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.**

An extraordinary general meeting of the Company was then held at which the Chairman said the object of the meeting was to pass a special resolution to enable the general managers to put the Company into liquidation.

Mr. N. J. Gomes moved:—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865-1890, and that Messrs. C. S. Sharp and L. Hallward, both of Hongkong, be and they are hereby appointed liquidators for the purposes of such winding up."

Mr. Joseph seconded, and it was carried unanimously.

An announcement by the Chairman that a confirmatory meeting would be held on Monday fortnight, brought the proceedings to a close.

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS.**

Gentlemen,—The General Managers have now to submit to you a statement of the Company's accounts to 30th November last.

During the past six months several meetings of the shareholders have been held, and in accordance with a resolution passed at an extraordinary general meeting held on 27th December last, the General Managers have carried out the sale of the Company's estate, &c. to a London syndicate, the amount of purchase money being £13,333 6s. 8d., the greater portion of which has been received, and is deposited with the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation pending the final adjustment of accounts.

The 1890 crop, as shareholders are aware, was seriously damaged in fermenting, 170,000 piculs were shipped on the 1st October last, and have been sold at 70 guilders cents per Amsterdam pound, a price which was better than was expected, seeing the damaged condition of the parcel.

1890 Crop.—120 fields were cultivated, producing a crop of 600 piculs of tobacco, which is said to be of very good quality. This asset, in accordance with the terms of sale, passes to the purchasers of the estate.

**CONSULTING COMMITTEE AND AUDITORS.**

In view of the sale of the Company's assets, it is unnecessary to re-elect these gentlemen.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1891.

**Capital \$250,000. Divided into 5,000 Shares of \$50 each.**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30TH, 1890.**

Liabilities.		
Capital	\$250,000.00	
Less: 40 shares each \$50 unpaid	\$2,000.00	
Less 155 shares each \$50 unpaid	\$7,750.00	
Less 95 shares each \$5 unpaid	\$475.00	
	7,225.00	
Sundry Creditors	\$142,775.00	
Paper Money	1,979.05	
	5,147.30	
	\$246,901.35	

Assets.		
Estate, cost of	\$5,000.00	
Launch Kowah, cost of	4,353.40	
Bank account	4,631.02	
Cash account in Bernco & Hongkong	5,038.79	
Furniture	65.00	
Sundry Debtors	479	
Balance carried down	177,807.45	
	\$246,901.35	

**WORKING ACCOUNT CROP, 1890.**

To Amount brought from 1st sheet

Less amount carried to crop, 1890

Amount since expended

Auditors' Fees

By Amount carried to a new account

**WORKING ACCOUNT CROP, 1890.**

To Amount transferred from crop, 1889

Coals advanced

Engaging coolies

Buildings

Salaries

Medicines

Charges

Roads and Drains

Manure, Jungle cutting, &c.

Office Expenses, Hongkong

Bank Kowah, working account

Establishment

Sandakan Agents' Fees

Inventory

Launch Kowah working account

Exchange

Telegrams

Auditors' Fees

Stationery

By Interest

Ship and Transfer Fees

Sales of Live Stock

Amount carried down

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,  
General Managers,  
We have compared the accounts with the Books and Vouchers at the Company's Office, and found them correct.

G. SEWART  
D. H. MACKINTOSH  
Auditors,  
February 24th, 1891.

**THE LAMAO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

An extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company, was held at the Office of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., No. 4, Ice House Lane, this afternoon. There were present:—Messrs. C. S. Sharp (Chairman), H. L. Dalrymple, (Directors); N. J. Gomes, S. I. Perry and L. Hallward (Secretaries).

The proceedings were of a purely formal nature in connection with the winding up of the Company.

Mr. H. L. Dalrymple proposed:—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865-1890, and that Mr. C. S. Sharp and Mr. L. Hallward, both of Hongkong, be and they are hereby appointed liquidators for the purposes of such winding up."

Mr. W. B. Layton seconded, and it was carried unanimously.

The passing of the resolution was followed by an extraordinary general meeting of the

**EAST BORNEO PLANTING COMPANY, LIMITED.**

At which there were present:—Messrs. W. B. Layton, S. L. Durby, C. S. Sharp, A. P. Stokes (Directors); L. E. Orozco, A. G. Stokes, C. S. Sharp, N. J. Gomes, C. F. Harton, Alun, and L. Hallward (Secretaries).

Mr. Stokes proposed:—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865-1890, and that Messrs. C. S. Sharp and L. Hallward, both of Hongkong, be and they are hereby appointed liquidators for the purposes of such winding up."

Mr. C. F. Harton seconded, and it was carried unanimously.

The Chairman said he hoped that as many of the shareholders in the Borneo companies would come to the confirmatory meeting to be held next Monday fortnight—as possible, for should there be a failure to form a quorum it would result in very undesirable delay in the conclusion of the business which they had already undertaken to transact.

The meeting then adjourned until Monday fortnight, the 16th March.

### THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The twenty-second Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in the above named Company was held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Queen's Road Central, at half-past two o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1890. There were present:—Messrs. P. Ryrie (Chairman); L. Poesnecker, H. Hopkins, S. C. Mieselsen, H. L. Dalrymple, W. H. Forbes (Directors); C. S. Sharp, R. Lyall, L. A. Rora, A. McConnachie, N. Bynnes, W. Armstrong, H. Gaskell, E. Jones Hughes, J. B. Coughtrie (Secretary) and several others.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, I propose that the report and accounts, which have been in your hands for several days, be taken as read, and in reviewing them in the usual brief manner I think I may say they are, on the whole, very satisfactory. The net premium taken is larger than that of any previous year, although you will observe that we have had to pay away a larger sum for re-insurance. The tendency of trade in China, now as in the past, is to aggregate risks, and thus in the endeavour to protect our Company from the misfortune of an excessive loss we have to largely re-insure ourselves. For the reason, however, that the Company's lines are occasionally necessarily heavy on many godowns, buildings, or on certain limited areas within the scope of our operations, and that fires will occur sometimes when least expected; you will see with pleasure, I have no doubt, the substantial addition we have been able to put to the Reserve Fund out of the profits of the year 1890. That Fund now amounts to \$74,500, not very far from twice the amount of our paid-up capital, and your Directors feel that with the strength of the Reserve Fund the safety and welfare of the shareholders is so intimately connected that they have to go on adding to it for some years to come, whenever the profits will allow. There have been numerous last year, and you will observe that we have paid for losses the sum of \$33,787 on account of 1890, and \$55,056 on account of 1890, as against \$30,637 and \$37,337, mentioned in the last Report. And not only this, since the accounts were made up fresh losses have occurred; at Bangkok \$17,000, at Manila \$7,500, and there is a claim pending at Hongkong for \$3,000, which we shall shortly be called upon to pay. Altogether we expect our losses will amount to \$33,000 on claims that have arisen since 1st January, but as the fire season is "raving" to a degree I hope we may escape with further losses of any importance. If there are no questions to be asked I propose that the Report and Accounts as presented be adopted.

There being no questions the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, as presented.

Mr. James Hughes seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Upon the motion of Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. McConnachie, Messrs. P. Ryrie and H. L. Dalrymple were re-elected members of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Armstrong proposed, and Mr. Gaskell seconded, the confirmation of the appointment to the Board of the late Mr. H. P. Tennant for the period which he served prior to his lamented death. Carried unanimously.

Messrs. J. H. Cox and R. Lyall were re-elected auditors upon the proposition of Mr. James Hughes, seconded by Mr. C. S. Sharp.

After an announcement by the Chairman that the Dividend and Bonus warrants would be posted this afternoon brought the proceedings to a close.

**INQUEST.**

**WHEN DOCTORS DIVER, ETC.**

At the Magistrate's Court this morning Mr. Wodehouse held an inquiry concerning the circumstances of the death of Tong Wan, a Chinaman, who died in a cell at the Central Police Station on the night of the 19th inst.

Too Chun, living at No. 4, Tank Lane, said the deceased lived at his house. He was very ill on the 18th inst. and was taken by him to the Tung Wah Hospital, but the deceased was refused admittance. He then went to the Civil Hospital with him, but he was also refused admittance. Witnesses afterwards went to the Registrar-General's office where he was told to take him to the Station.

A Chinese constable gave evidence of taking the deceased to the Station in a chair about 4.30 p.m. on the 18th inst.

Dr. Ayres said:—About 6 p.m. on the 18th inst. I was called to the Central Police Station to see the deceased who was in a cell. I found him wrapped in a blanket and complaining of feeling cold. He had sores on his face about the size of a shilling. The sores might have been syphilis or leprosy. I came to the conclusion that he was a leper from the appearance of the skin, and he showed no signs of sensation on being pinched. He felt cold and was in a filthy condition, the dirt being thick on his skin. The pulse was weak and very indistinct. I certified him to be a leper, and gave a certificate for his deportation. The certificate produced in mine. I therein recommended that he should be deported. In my opinion he was in a fit state to be deported, as there was no suitable place in the Colony for housing lepers. When such cases are brought before me, I believe they are sent to Canton, but I am not acquainted with the manner in which it is done. I was sent for because it was thought he was a leper, and that he was dying, and my certificate is of

all times necessary before a leper can be deported. I have not heard since that he was not a leper, but Dr. Cantlie has told me he had syphilis sores. The external evidences of leprosy are noticeable on the skin. The principle distinction between syphilis and leprosy is noticed in the feeling of the skin—there being pain with the former and none with the latter when the skin is pinched. I looked at the man's hands and feet to ascertain their state. It is usual to do so in cases of leprosy. I found no sores, but there was a thickening of the skin on and about the fingers. Sometimes in such cases whole joints disappear. When I examined him it was about six o'clock with the aid of a lamp, and also by daylight. If a man is a leper the Civil Hospital authorities would be quite justified in refusing him admission. The authorities of the Tung Wah Hospital have also such rules. He would have been admitted to the Civil Hospital had he been suffering from syphilis. The Civil Hospital would be justified in refusing a dying man admission into the institution if suffering from leprosy. The other patients would object if lepers were admitted.

Dr. Cantlie:—Was there not a sudden fall of temperature that day?—Yes, in the daytime on my verandah it was 75° in the shade; at the night it had fallen to 64°, and at midnight to 61°.

John Butler, Acting Inspector of Police, said:—About 5.40 p.m. on the 18th inst. the deceased was brought to the Station in a chair by a Chinese constable. His face was covered with sores and he was unable to stand. I had him placed in No. 5 cell, the place where all lepers are put. I then wrote to the Colonial Surgeon, who came to visit him about 6.15 p.m. I took the coverlet from him, in which he was wrapped, and then the doctor looked at him and asked for more blankets. I got three more, and also had food placed near him. He was alive when I was relieved from duty by Inspector Perry at 9 a.m. on the 19th. He had taken no food. Before the Colonial Surgeon left the station on the previous night, he gave me the certificate produced. I had the chair fumigated.

Inspector Perry said:—I went on duty in the Charge Room at 9 a.m. on the 19th. The deceased was then in the "leper" cell. I went there several times during the day and saw that he was wrapped up, and breathing. At 10 p.m. I saw the deceased in the cell dead, the blankets being partially off the body. I had the body removed. He was made as comfortable as possible in the cell. The means of disporting lepers are in the hands of the Captain Superintendent of Police who communicates with the Colonial Secretary, and he in turn writes to the British Consul at Canton. The Consul then sends them to the leper village, the Government paying all expenses.

Dr. Cantlie said:—I held a post mortem examination on the body of the deceased at 5.30 p.m. on the 20th. The body was then of a Chinese male adult, between 30 and 40 years of age, fairly well built, but thin. His face was covered with a large scab and some scars which, when removed, showed depression of the skin about the size of a shilling. There was evidence on the general organs of syphilis. The internal organs were sound, and the heart healthy. There were evidences of old syphilis disease on the liver and spleen. In my opinion death was caused by exhaustion owing to want of food. He must have been without sufficient food for a week, or two. I attribute his death entirely to the absence of food. I could not say he was a leper from post mortem appearances. He had no post mortem evidences of being a leper. He might have been in an early stage of leprosy without showing any evidences of the disease. The scars on the face were syphilis only. Such marks are distinguishable from those of leprosy. One never gets leprosy to such an extent that it arises to scars on the face without evidences on other parts of the body. There were no such symptoms visible elsewhere. Another thing, the form of leprosy the deceased was supposed to have was what is called tubercular leprosy. A lot of venereal and anasthetia is not combined with tubercular leprosy. The leprosy, if any, must have been tubercular because the scars were tubercular. Moreover syphilis scars are of different shape from scars of leprosy, the former grow like trees and are circular in shape, while the latter are of an irregular shape and have a tendency to extend. I speak from my own experience and from authority. My only reason for supposing that the deceased may have had leprosy is with regard to what Dr. Ayres says about anasthetia, which may have been suggested before any external marks showed themselves. The scars were not evidences of leprosy. Organic disease was not the cause of death. He might have lived a considerable length of time with syphilis. There were no signs of it having affected him vitally. The general organs were badly diseased. The sole cause of death spoken of could not be attributable to anything else but leprosy. It might not be anasthetia but a senseless consequence upon exhaustion. That is a possibility.

His Worship found that the deceased died from inanition.

**A PASTEUR INSTITUTE FOR HYDROPHOBIA AT SAIGON.**

The French journals announced last November that M. Etienne, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, had studied a project to endow Saigon with a Microbiological Institute for the study of infectious diseases indigenous to hot climates, and vaccination as a remedy. After the bite in cases of Hydrophobia. This project has been proposed, and is on the eve of being realized.

Besides the experimental researches relative to cholera, leprosy, dysentery, hemorrhoids, malaria, etc. for which the laboratories will be specially furnished with implements, instruments, etc., this new Institute will be established in one of the buildings annexed to the Military Hospital to be inaugurated on the 1st of April next. There will be a regular service of vaccination after the bite, by the method employed at the Pasteur Institute of Paris.

It will be possible to furnish all the doctors and veterinarians of Far East, and of India, requiring fresh distinct vaccine, to always newly tested and sufficient for the preservation of a herd of cattle against splenic fever.

It will be specially qualified to create in Saigon a centre of animal vaccination in order to furnish the whole of Indo-China with calf vaccine or cowpox in pulp, in the form of fresh vaccine or glycerine, as a means of avoiding contagion from leprosy and other maladies; only too frequently communicated by the ordinary method of vaccination from man to man.

The doctors, practising in the neighboring countries of Indo-China may address themselves to the Microbiological Institute at Saigon for obtaining the fresh animal vaccine. As compared

ing vaccination against madness after the bite, all persons of whatever race or nationality bitten by mad animals, will have the right to go to Saigon for preventive treatment. This treatment will be gratuitous to all officials and employees of the French Government, and it will be equally free to all Europeans, Creoles and natives or all nationalities who are without means. The term of madness may not appear for forty days after the bite, but in most cases all persons bitten should submit themselves to treatment as soon as possible and state all the circumstances in order to try to evade the symptoms of madness becoming manifest. Europeans residing in all parts of Indo-China and of China, Japan and the Netherlands Indies, Philippines, Singapore, Ceylon, or India and the natives of divers countries will be equally welcome to the benefits of this humane institution.

An official notification by the Governor-General of Indo-China will indicate to Consuls Administrators and French Agents, the date on which the Institute will be regularly opened.

### NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s Australian liner *Tsitan*, Capt. W. N. Allison, with the Australian mail of the 5th inst., arrived in port this afternoon. We take the following items from our Sydney exchanges:—

**LONDON, February 3rd.**

The challenge issued by Frank P. Slavin to fight John L. Sullivan has been accepted by the Boston pugilist. Sullivan offers to wager at the rate of £1,000 to £100 that he will knock-out Slavin in six rounds, the fight to take place in America. Slavin says that he is ready and willing to reverse the wager.

Mr. Justice North has decided that the dock company have power to compel shipowners to discharge their own vessels.

Considerable interest has been aroused in England by the announcement that Tipu Tib, the African chief, who figured so prominently in connection with the Emin Relief Expedition, will visit England next summer. It is anticipated that he will throw some fresh light on the scandals concerning the rear-guard of the expedition.

It is rumored that the Portuguese finances are in a precarious condition.

**February 4th.**

Mr. Justice North has refused to restrain the Docks Committee from imposing new tariffs in connection with the discharging of vessels by their owners.

A syndicate is being formed with a capital of five millions sterling to control the manufacture of calico.

Murdoch and Dr. Barrett, the Australian cricketers, are members of an All-England Eleven which is now making a tour of the United Kingdom. Murdoch is captain of the team.

Mr. Gladstone's Religious Disabilities Removal Bill, which has been reintroduced into the House of Commons, is causing many Nonconformist members to desert from the Liberal ranks.

The above measure, which is intended to remove the disabilities of Roman Catholics to hold the office of Lord Chancellor of Great Britain and Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, was introduced into the House of Commons last session, but was withdrawn, and has now been reintroduced.

Owing to the depression in trade, 450,000 tons of steam shipping are at the present time lying idle in the ports of Great Britain.

At the funeral of the late Charles Bradlaugh to-day labour delegates from the principal towns were present, as well as many members of the House of Commons, including the Right Hon. John Morley.

There are indications that the Opposition will accept the decision if the reported agreement between Mr. Parrell and the secessionists is confirmed.

A general election is taking place in Canada. The Government is appealing to the country upon its trade policy. After the elections the Government will send a delegation to Washington.

The Right Hon. James Lowther, Conservative member for the Isle of Wight (Kent), has given notice of motion in the House of Commons that it is essential that immediate steps be taken to promote the introduction of preferential fiscal relations between the colonies and Great Britain.

For the 3rd Australian loan of £1,120,000, tenders were received to the amount of £134,000. The balance remains open at the minimum.

**LATER.**

Less than half-a-million was tendered for. The syndicates obtained from tendering. If a liberal discount is offered the syndicates will probably take the balance.

It is understood that Signor Crispi, whose resignation was accepted by King Humbert, will undertake the task of reforming his Cabinet.

The latest news from South Africa in reference to the gold discoveries in Mafekingland, state that 7,000 ounces have now been marked out on the alluvial field.

Canada proposes the appointment of a Joint Commission to settle all disputes with the United States.

In the House of Commons last night Baron de Worms, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in reply to a question, declined to say whether Her Majesty's Government would take steps to equalize the restrictions placed upon the British and foreign traders in the Pacific, until the text of a Federal Council resolution had been received.

The seamen and dockers of Cardiff intend to block the working of ships if the crews are engaged from the men belonging to the Shipping Federation in preference to the unionists.

Major Wissmann, who was recently reported to have shown symptoms of lunacy, has resigned his position as the representative of Germany in East Africa.

Sir R. T. Goldworthy, Governor of British Honduras, has been appointed Governor of the Falkland Islands.

Sir R. T. Goldworthy was Colonial Secretary of Western Australia in 1877, and senior member of the Legislative Council. In 1891 he became Administrator of the Government, and Colonial Secretary of St. Lucia, and three years later was appointed to the Governorship of British Honduras.

The United States Congress has been asked to vote £100,000 for the establishment of a coal station at the Hawaiian Islands.

A contract has been let for lighting the city of London with the electric light.

The Australian Agricultural Company has declared a dividend of 30s per share.

Two-thirds of Baring Brothers' acceptances have been retired.

It is reported that Prince Baldwin of Belgium, nephew of King Leopold, who was stated to have died suddenly from an acute attack of pneumonia, really died from smallpox.

The Hon. Edward Stanhope, Secretary for War, has announced the appointment of a committee of the House of Commons to inquire into the merits of the Magdalen Asylum.

The "Times" Bill has been passed through committee in the House of Commons.

**AUCKLAND, February 4th.**

The Government steamer *Himemaa*, which was despatched to Marquarie Islands to search for the missing steamer *Kahurangi*, returned this evening. She reports that the *Kahurangi* arrived at Marquarie Islands on January 2nd, and left again next day, taking eight men from the island. Two days later a fearful storm was experienced, and it is believed the *Kahurangi* foundered in the gale. The *Himemaa* made a careful search of all the islands, but found no trace of the steamer.

Sir Harry Atkinson is expected to be one of the New Zealand delegates to the Federal Convention. It is improbable that a Minister will attend.

**Brisbane, February 4th.**

O'Connell, the miner who has just arrived at Cooktown from New Guinea, persists in his statement that he discovered some magnificent alluvial gold in the bed of one of the rivers there.

**LONDON, February 5th.**

The Dublin University has conferred a Doctorship of Law upon Mr. A. J. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland.

**SIAM'S COAL FIELDS.**

Among the many concessions, remarks the *Bangkok Times*, now being fought for at the Foreign Office, we are surprised that no attention seems to have hitherto been paid by capitalists to the rich coal deposits which are known to exist in the country. Few people having at heart the welfare of Siam will deny that the development of her coal fields would add largely to the prosperity of the kingdom and prove schemes at present projected. If we for one moment consider the large amount of coal used on the numerous steamers trading in the port and the many other ways for which it is required in Bangkok, a cheap local supply would certainly effect the prosperity of the town, and that for the better. At present most of the steamers trading to Bangkok bring up their own supplies either from Singapore or China, simply because fuel is not to be had in Bangkok except at very high and ruinous rates. Now, were the Siam to develop the mines which are known to exist in the neighborhood, what a fine industry they would create and what a steady increase to the revenue of the country would be effected. The coal mines now being developed in Haidong have proved a great success, and although it is of a "surface" nature only, even this is so good that the coal is being used unmixed in the French mail steamers.

As a result of enquiries in Siam our contemporary learns that the coal mines at Bandon are considered to be quite equal in quality to anything that can be produced in Haidong or from the best Japan mines. The existence of these mines near to Bangkok is an important fact which the Government should fully appreciate, and as, by being worked they would prove a great and valuable advantage to the port, their development should be taken in hand without further loss of time. The prosperity of the great national industries of the world, as well as much of our domestic comfort depends on coal and it will, in every part of the globe, ever remain an article in great demand. There is, as many of us know, evidences of promising coal-deposits in many parts of the country, but, owing to the great supply of wood in the forests, there is at present little temptation to work them. This, however, will all be changed in the very near future if the ruthless destruction of up-country forests is true, so that now is the time to develop these valuable coalfields and, as a commencement, the Government should begin with the Bandon mines. Their working will cause very little trouble, is sure to be remunerative, and will, greatly add to the welfare and prosperity of Siam.

**To-day's Advertisements.**

**TO-NIGHT—TO-NIGHT.**

**THE ROYAL JAPAN TOKIO TROUPE, TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY),**

In their  
**GRAND TENT AT BOWRINGTON**  
in their High-Class  
**ACROBATIC AND JUGGLING PERFORMANCES.**

Professor UAKIKI of the Tokio Troupe challenges all comers of all nations to wrestle with him in the Arena at Bowrington, TO-NIGHT or TO-MORROW NIGHT.

**CATCH-AS-CATCH CAN.**  
**LAST TWO NIGHTS.**

Doors open at 8 p.m. Commence at 9 p.m.

**I. NAKI,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [352]

**DIOCESAN HOME AND ORPHANAGE.**

**SCHOOL DUTIES** will be resumed on **MONDAY**, the 2nd and 3rd March. For terms for Boarders or Day-scholars, Apply to **THE HEADMASTER.**

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [353]

**ST. JOHN LODGE**

**OF HONGKONG,**  
No. 618, S.C.

**AN EMERGENCY MEETING** of the above-named Lodge will be held in FRANKLIN'S Hall, Zealand Street, TO-MORROW, the 28th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [350]

**FOR SHANGHAI.**

**THE Steamship**

"AMOV,"

Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 1st-March, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **SIEMSEN & Co.**

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [350]

**THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.**

**THE Company's Steamship**

"PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO,"

Captain J. A. Morris, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 4th March, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **YUEN FAT HONG,** Agents.

Hongkong, 27th February 1891. [357]

**NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO AND RURATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).**

**STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY,** having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers, to ADEN, SUPR, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all MONTECATINI, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN Ports, up to CALAO. Takine Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.

**THE Company's Steamship**

"BORMIDA,"

C. Givazzi, Master, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 6th March, at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to **CARLOWITZ & Co.**

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [352]

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, &c., &c.**

**THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on**

**TUESDAY,**

the 5th March, 1891, at 2.30 p.m. at No. 61, Robinson Street, **THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,** comprising:—

**SILK TAPESTRY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, English-made WILMOT CENTRE TABLE, PICTURES, COFFEE TABLE, by H. and W. S. FENDERS, CURTAINS, CARPETS, OVERMANTELS, &c., &c.**

**DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, CHIFFONIER with Glass-fronted Doors and Back, WHATNOT, PLATED GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, TABLE LINEN, STAIR CARPETING, &c.**

**American-made BEDSTEAD with SPRING MATTRESSES, &c., BED LINEN, Marble-top BUREAU, ditto WASHING STAND & SET, CONVERTIBLE COUCH UPHOLSTERED in RED PLUSH, BED-ROOM SUITE, English-made MAHOGANY WARDROBE with Plate-Glass Door.**

**MAHOGANY WRITING TABLE, OFFICE DESK, COPYING PRESS, SHANGHAI BATH, &c., &c., &c.**

Catalogues will be issued prior to Sale, and the above will be on view on Wednesday, the 4th March.

**TERMS OF SALE**—As customary.

**G. R. LAMBERT,**  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [358]

**SOCIETE FRANCAISE DES HOUILLES DE TOURNAI.**

**AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1891, at Halphong, Rue de la Douane, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors on the working of the Company and passing a Resolution modifying the present system of Transfers.

Shareholders holding 20 Shares or more who wish to be represented at the above Meeting can sign Powers of Attorney at the Office of the Undersigned.

**ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [354]

**THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**IN LIQUIDATION.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, Victoria, Hongkong, (Messrs. MESSERS & Co.) at Four p.m., on THURSDAY, the 12th March, 1891, when the Liquidators will lay before the Shareholders an Account showing their acts and dealings and the manner in which the winding up has been conducted since the 31st December, 1889.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on the 27th instant to the 12th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
**H. HARRIS,**  
for the Liquidators.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [359]

**Intimations.**

**COLONIAL HOUSE, 4, QUEEN'S ROAD.**

**HONGKONG LACE CURTAINS LIMITED.**

**SPECIAL SHOW.**

**LACE CURTAINS**

**WHITE, CREAM, AND ART COLORINGS.**

**NOVELTIES**

**IN MADRAS, JEYPORE, CRETE, AND CANVAS CURTAINS.**

**AT LOWEST PRICES EVER OFFERED IN HONGKONG.**

**NEW PREMISES.**

**COLONIAL HOUSE, 4, QUEEN'S ROAD.**

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [3]

evening. She reports that the *Kahurangi* arrived at Marquarie Islands on January 2nd, and left again next day, taking eight men from the island. Two days later a fearful storm was experienced, and it is believed the *Kahurangi* foundered in the gale. The *Himemaa* made a careful search of all the islands, but found no trace of the steamer.

Sir Harry Atkinson is expected to be one of the New Zealand delegates to the Federal Convention. It is improbable that a Minister will attend.

**Brisbane, February 4th.**

O'Connell, the miner who has just arrived at Cooktown from New Guinea, persists in his statement that he discovered some magnificent alluvial gold in the bed of one of the rivers there.

**LONDON, February 5th.**

The Dublin University has conferred a Doctorship of Law upon Mr. A. J. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland.

**SIAM'S COAL FIELDS.**

Among the many concessions, remarks the *Bangkok Times*, now being fought for at the Foreign Office, we are surprised that no attention seems to have hitherto been paid by capitalists to the rich coal deposits which are known to exist in the country. Few people having at heart the welfare of Siam will deny that the development of her coal fields would add largely to the prosperity of the kingdom and prove schemes at present projected. If we for one moment consider the large amount of coal used on the numerous steamers trading in the port and the many other ways for which it is required in Bangkok, a cheap local supply would certainly effect the prosperity of the town, and that for the better. At present most of the steamers trading to Bangkok bring up their own supplies either from Singapore or China, simply because fuel is not to be had in Bangkok except at very high and ruinous rates. Now, were the Siam to develop the mines which are known to exist in the neighborhood, what a fine industry they would create and what a steady increase to the revenue of the country would be effected. The coal mines now being developed in Haidong have proved a great success, and although it is of a "surface" nature only, even this is so good that the coal is being used unmixed in the French mail steamers.

As a result of enquiries in Siam our contemporary learns that the coal mines at Bandon are considered to be quite equal in quality to anything that can be produced in Haidong or from the best Japan mines. The existence of these mines near to Bangkok is an important fact which the Government should fully appreciate, and as, by being worked they would prove a great and valuable advantage to the port, their development should be taken in hand without further loss of time. The prosperity of the great national industries of the world, as well as much of our domestic comfort depends on coal and it will, in every part of the globe, ever remain an article in great demand. There is, as many of us know, evidences of promising coal-deposits in many parts of the country, but, owing to the great supply of wood in the forests, there is at present little temptation to work them. This, however, will all be changed in the very near future if the ruthless destruction of up-country forests is true, so that now is the time to develop these valuable coalfields and, as a commencement, the Government should begin with the Bandon mines. Their working will cause very little trouble, is sure to be remunerative, and will, greatly add to the welfare and prosperity of Siam.

**To-day's Advertisements.**

**TO-NIGHT—TO-NIGHT.**

**THE ROYAL JAPAN TOKIO TROUPE, TO-NIGHT (FRIDAY),**

In their  
**GRAND TENT AT BOWRINGTON**  
in their High-Class  
**ACROBATIC AND JUGGLING PERFORMANCES.**

Professor UAKIKI of the Tokio Troupe challenges all comers of all nations to wrestle with him in the Arena at Bowrington, TO-NIGHT or TO-MORROW NIGHT.

**CATCH-AS-CATCH CAN.**  
**LAST TWO NIGHTS.**

Doors open at 8 p.m. Commence at 9 p.m.

**I. NAKI,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [352]

**DIOCESAN HOME AND ORPHANAGE.**

**SCHOOL DUTIES** will be resumed on **MONDAY**, the 2nd and 3rd March. For terms for Boarders or Day-scholars, Apply to **THE HEADMASTER.**

Hongkong, 27th February, 1891. [353]

**ST. JOHN LODGE**

**OF**



## Hotels.

THE SHAMEN HOTEL.  
BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the River Steamer Wharves, is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Room, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table d'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experienced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only.

A. F. DO ROZARIO, Manager.  
Hongkong, 4th November, 1890. [1047]

THE BOA VISTA.  
BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS House, situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commanding an admirable view facing the South, was OPENED as a HOTEL on the 1st July.

Every comfort will be provided for visitors, with excellent cuisine and choice Wines.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard, and Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.

A small daily is attached to the premises.

Mrs. MARIA B. DO REMEDIOS, Proprietress.

PEAK HOTEL.  
VICTORIA GAP, PEAK.

THE most beautiful position in the environs of Hongkong, situated 1,250 feet above sea level, commanding magnificent views of the City and Harbour of Victoria, the mainland of China and neighbouring islands.

Cool Southern breeze in Summer with perfect protection from N.E. Winds of Winter.

The best accommodation of Visitors with every comfort, convenience and attention.

The Cuisine is under the best supervision and every luxury obtainable is supplied.

Wines, etc. the best Brands and finest qualities only are kept.

TERMS MODERATE.  
Telephone No. 20.  
PEAK HOTEL & TRADING Co., Ltd., Proprietors.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1891. [1277]

## Insurances.

THE FUNDS OF THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE ARE invested entirely within the British Dominions and are thus free from the complications which might arise in time of war. They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling, and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15 years.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

ATLAS ASSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th April, 1890. [1244]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [166]

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th November, 1890. [1567]

NOTICE.  
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agents.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, NO. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1891. [1216]

GENERAL NOTICE.  
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. \$833,333-33.  
EQUAL TO RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000-00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
LEE SENG, Esq. LO YU MOON, Esq.  
LOU TEO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS IN GOODS, etc., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1890. [1210]

J. & R. HARVEY & Co., DUNDASHILL DISTILLERY, GLASGOW. Established 1770.

SCOTCH WHISKIES.  
Finest Pure Malt Scotch Whisky.  
O.H.M. Old Highland Malt Whisky.  
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MESSRS. HARVEY & Co.'s Pure Malt Whiskies have for over fifty years commanded the largest sale in the English Market. OF ANY WHISKY made in Scotland, and being thoroughly matured in Sherry Wood are very mild and mellow, and are confidently recommended where a Pure Whiskies Spirit is desired.

Over one million Gallons produced annually. For Prices and Samples, apply to:  
G. RENNIE STEWART,  
14, D'Almeida Street, Hongkong.  
Sole Agent for China and Japan.  
Hongkong, 27th August, 1890. [1219]

## Intimations.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, TOMORROW, the 28th day of February, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1890.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
F. DE BOVIS, Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 5th February, 1891. [1238]

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 14th to Saturday, the 28th day of February current (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
F. DE BOVIS, Acting Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 5th February, 1891. [1239]

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the above Company which was intended to be held on FRIDAY, the 27th February, 1891, to receive the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st of December, 1890, is POSTPONED until FRIDAY, the 6th March, 1891, when it will be held for the purpose above mentioned at the Offices of the Undersigned at 4 P.M.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the date hereof to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

Notice is also hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY PRIVATE MEETING of the above Company will be held immediately after the termination of the Meeting aforesaid, to deliberate on certain proposals to be made by certain Shareholders.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. [1334]

## HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE Twenty-Second Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 7th March, at noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1890, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1891. [1279]

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given to Holders of Shares in the above Company, on which the SECOND CALL of (2) Two Dollars per Share due 1st November, 1890, is still unpaid, that unless the said call with interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from the due date, be paid on or before the 28th day of February, 1891, at the Company's Office, 6, Ice House Lane, the Shares in respect of which such call remains unpaid on the aforesaid date will be liable to be FORFEITED, and under the provisions of Article X sub-section VIII of the Articles of Association, the Board will pass the necessary resolutions for the forfeiture of the said Shares.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
CHAS. F. HARTON, Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1891. [1248]

## THE TRUST AND LOAN COMPANY OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS held in London on 12th February, 1891, it was decided to increase the Capital of the Company by £1,000,000 Sterling in 100,000 Shares of £10 each, to be issued at a premium of £1.5 per Share.

Shareholders whose names appear on the Register on 9th March, 1891, will be entitled to apply for and receive one New Share for every Original Share held.

Applications for same must be sent in to this Office on or before 23rd March, 1891.

£1.5 per Share only will be called up at present, plus the premium of £1.5 per Share payable thus:

10/0 on application (including 5/0 premium).  
15/0 on allotment, 1st April, 91 (including 7/6 premium).  
25/0 on 30th June, 1891 (including 12/6 premium).

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th to 19th March, 1891, both days inclusive.

At the above named General Meeting of Shareholders a Resolution was passed changing the name of the Company to "The Bank of China, Japan, and the Straits, Limited."

and cancelling Articles 56 and 59 of the Memorandum of Association.

These alterations require to be confirmed at another Meeting of Shareholders to be held in London on the 2nd March next.

DE WESTLEY LAYTON, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1891. [1282]

## NOTICE.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SANDAKAN.  
IN ITS PROBATE JURISDICTION,  
In the Will and Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, of Sandakan, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims against the Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, deceased, late of Sandakan, Merchant, Probate of whose Will has been granted by the High Court of Sandakan, to H. B. DUNLOP of Sandakan, Executor appointed by the Will of the said deceased, are hereby required to send in particulars of such claims to the said Undersigned, on or before the Thirty-first day of October, 1891. And Notice is hereby given that after such date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

Dated this First day of November, 1890.  
P. F. J. MARCUS, Registrar.  
Receiver for the said Executor.  
High Court, Sandakan. [1218]

## Intimations.

## HONGKONG ATHLETIC CLUB.

THE Committee cordially invite the Community to the FIRST MEETING of the HONGKONG ATHLETIC CLUB, TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at the Race Course.  
W. H. YOUNG, Hon. Sec., H.K.A.C.  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1891. [1297]

## THE HONGKONG ATHLETIC CLUB.

THE FIRST MEETING of the HONGKONG ATHLETIC CLUB will take place on the Race-course (by kind permission of the Stewards of the Jockey Club), TO-MORROW, the 28th February, commencing at 1 o'clock p.m. precisely, when the following Events will be contested:

1.—100 Yards Flat Race. (Handicap).  
2.—Putting the Shot.  
3.—Long Jump.  
4.—220 Yards Flat Race. (Handicap).  
5.—Bicycle Race—Half-Mile. (Handicap).  
6.—Half-Mile Flat Race. (Open to Soldiers, Sailors and Police).  
7.—Hurdle Race—120 Yards—10 Flights.  
8.—Half-Mile Flat Race. (Handicap). Ladies' Purse.  
9.—High Jump.  
10.—Bicycle Race—One Mile. (Handicap).  
11.—100 Yards Challenge Cup.  
12.—Highland Fling. (Open to Soldiers and Police).  
13.—Throwing the Cricket Ball.  
14.—Mile Challenge Cup.  
15.—Veterans' Race. (Competitors must be over 35 years of age and of not less than 10 years Residence in the East).  
16.—Tug-of-War. (Open to all Teams).  
17.—Quarter-Mile Challenge Cup.  
18.—Steplechase—Half-Mile.  
19.—Consolation Race—120 Yards.  
20.—Competitors in Events Nos. 2, 6, 12, 15, and 16 not being Members of the Club to pay an Entrance Fee of \$1 for each Event.

The above Events, with the exception of Nos. 2, 6, 12, 15, and 16, are Open only to those Gentlemen Amateurs who are Members of the Hongkong Athletic Club.

Entry Forms can be obtained from Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., and the Undersigned.

ENTRIES CLOSE on the 28th instant.  
W. H. YOUNG, Hon. Sec., H.K.A.C.  
Hongkong, 7th February, 1891. [1250]

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE monthly competition for the FAKI CHALLENGE CUP presented by Dr. NOBLE will take place TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at 3.30 p.m. Distances 200 and 400 yards, seven shots at each. Position: standing at 200, sitting or kneeling at 400 yards. Entrance fee 30 cents.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3 p.m. to convey competitors.

C. VIVIAN LADDS, Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1891. [165]

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

GRAND ASSAULT AT ARMS, including, CHAMPIONSHIP BOXING AND FENCING COMPETITIONS, IN AID OF THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

By Members of the V.R.C. under Staff-Sergeant J. Tennant, (instructor to the club), assisted by the best Athletes of the Lorne Athletic Club (A. & S. Highlanders), to be held in the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

TUESDAY, the 3rd March, 1891, Commencing at 9 p.m.

PATRONS:  
His Excellency Sir GEORGE WILLIAM DES VŒUX, K.C.M.G.  
His Excellency Major-General G. DIGBY BARKER, C.B.

By kind permission of Colonel CHATER and the Officers of the Regiment the Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play selections during the evening.

The preliminary heats of the BOXING and FENCING COMPETITIONS at the V.R.C. on MONDAY, the 2nd March, will commence at 5.15 p.m., instead of 6 p.m. as previously advertised.

Admission for non-members 50 cents.  
Tickets for the Assault at Arms on Tuesday will be available for Monday at the V.R.C.

PROGRAMME.  
1.—Grand March of the Gladiators.  
2.—Bayonet Exercise.  
3.—Parallel Bars Exercise.  
4.—Fencing (Final heat).  
5.—Indian Club Exercises.  
6.—Light Weight Boxing (Final heat).  
7.—Tombing.  
8.—Rings.  
9.—Horizontal Bar Exercises.  
10.—Heavy Weight Boxing (Final heat).  
11.—Highland Fling.  
12.—Quarter Staff.  
13.—Vaulting Horse Exercises.  
14.—The Rough's riot or the Merry Miles.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.  
Soldiers and Sailors.....\$0.25  
Stalls.....1.00  
Dress Circle—Reserved Seats.....2.00

Tickets can be obtained from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.  
G. C. MASTER, Hon. Sec., V.R.C.  
Hongkong, 14th February, 1891. [1350]

## W. S. MARTEN.

ARTISTIC DECORATOR,  
2, DUNDRELL STREET, HONGKONG.

## NOTICE.

JRYE'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

JRYE'S WOOD PRESERVER OR ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit customers at Wholesale Prices. Extra Special Terms for Shipping and Large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.M., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board, London, says:  
"It is the best Disinfectant in use."  
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,  
Rue de Valenciennes, 10, Paris.  
Hongkong, 19th January, 1891. [1215]

## Intimations.

## PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Adjourned Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, TO-MORROW, the 28th instant, at Noon.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. WHEELEY, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1891. [1315]

## STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED at the HEAD OFFICE, SINGAPORE, from the 11th to 25th March next, both days inclusive.

ROBT. BAIRD, Agent.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1891. [1346]

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE DIVIDEND of 7 per cent. per Share for the Six months ended 31st December, 1890, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the premises of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after TUESDAY, the 24th instant, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office No. 14, Praya Central.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. GILLIES, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1891. [1324]

## NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has secured the services of an experienced PHOTOGRAPHER, and undertakes to produce First Class Photographs and the enlargement of Photos, &c. Cabinets (enamelled).....\$5 a dozen.  
Cartes de Visite.....\$2 a dozen.

PUN WOO, PHOTOGRAPHER,  
84, Queen's Road Central,  
(Top Floor of Teen Sing Bookbinder).  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1891. [1298]

## THOMAS KERR &amp; CO.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.  
YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.  
OFFICE—No. 12, D'Almeida Street.  
Hongkong, 25th August, 1890. [130]

## Dr. Knorr's ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for Adults 15 to 25 grains troy.)  
IS the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING-COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the medical Faculty. To be had from every reputable Chemist and Druggist. Ask for DR. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each Tin bears the inventor's signature, "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import, and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China. Beware of spurious imitations!  
Hongkong, 20th May, 1890. [1292]

## NOTICE.

GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS  
1, Ice House Road are suitably lighted to produce all styles of Portraits in any weather. CABINETS from \$6 a dozen.  
CARTES DE VISITE from \$3 a dozen.  
LIFE SIZED BUSTS in Colour, or Black & White.  
IVORY MINIATURES, &c., &c.  
NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG and the Coast Ports are always ready.  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1890. [1248]

## HONGKONG &amp; WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS  
are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR some of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 25th August, 1890. [1315]

## Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "HAMPSHIRE" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 3rd prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd prox., at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 3rd prox. will be subject to rent.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before noon, TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Rue de Valenciennes, 10, Paris.  
Hongkong, 19th February, 1891. [1215]

## Masonic.

## ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY next, the 2nd March, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1891. [1347]

## To be Let.

TO LET.  
HOUSES at the Peak and at "Bellios Terrace."  
ROOM and SHOP in "Beaconsfield Arcade," Queen's Road.  
GODOWNS in Duddell Street.  
Apply to  
BELLIOS & Co.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1891. [1349]

TO LET.  
Possession on 1st April next.  
HOUSE No. 18, ELGIN STREET.  
For particulars, apply to  
LOUIS KIRCHMANN,  
No. 4, Ladder Street Terrace.  
Hongkong, 26th February, 1891. [1348]

TO BE LET.  
No. 10, SEYMOUR TERRACE.  
Apply to  
HERCULES J. SCOTT.  
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1891. [1227]

TO LET.  
NOS. 25 & 27, ELGIN STREET, behind the Old Union Church.  
Apply to  
ACHEE & Co.  
Hongkong, 25th February, 1891. [1240]

TO LET.  
With Immediate Possession.  
THE MARINE HOTEL.

SITUATE on the Praya, opposite to the old P. & O. Wharf, comprising—23 Bedrooms, Dining-room, Billiard-room, Bar, &c.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [150]

TO LET.  
NOS. 9 & 11, SEYMOUR TERRACE.  
ROOMS in College Chambers  
No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.  
OFFICES and CHAMBERS in Connaught House, Queen's Road Central.  
OFFICES in Victoria Buildings.  
Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, and February, 1891. [1291]

KOWLOON.

TO LET.  
Possession from 1st February.  
THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING Co.'s ESTATE.

HEALTHY situated in 5 ROOMED HOUSES with Bath-rooms complete, splendid view. Moderate Rent. Gas laid on.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1890. [1286]

TO LET.  
BLUE BUILDINGS.—Ground Floor of No. 2, First Floor of No. 3.  
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